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SUBJECT: ROK COMPANY NOT SELLING MOBILE PHONE JAMMERS TO
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Classified By: POL M/C Joseph Y. Yun. Reasons 1.4 (b/d)

[1](#)1. (S) On March 20, MOFAT's Disarmament and Non-Proliferation Division Deputy Director, Lee Kyu-ho, told poloff that the ROKG had completed its investigation into concerns that Iran was seeking to acquire mobile phone jammers from a South Korean company (reftels) and had determined that the sale did not occur. After the initial contact in 2006, the ROK firm, for undetermined reasons, received no further inquiries from Iran. Puritech officials also told the ROKG that it was getting out of the mobile phone jamming business because it was not profitable.

[1](#)2. (S) Lee stated that the ROK Ministry of Commerce, Industry and Energy (MOCIE) would issue guidance warning ROK companies that this kind of technology was controlled under the Wassenaar Arrangement and should be handled appropriately.
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